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Appl. No.: 09/638,650 Confirmation No. 9848
Applicant: Law Enforcement Services, Inc.
For: **SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR ACQUIRING AND ANALYZING
PERSONAL HISTORY INFORMATION**
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In response to the Office Action mailed June 3, 2004, Applicant submits herewith a Reply. In addition, please provide a one-month Extension of Time up to and including October 3, 2004 to answer the Office Action as provided for in 37 CFR 1.136. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the amount of \$55 for the Extension of Time to Deposit Account 09-0528. If any additional fees for the accompanying response are required, Applicant requests that this be considered a Petition therefor. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account 09-0528.

Applicant submits herewith Declarations under 37 CFR 1.131 which attests to invention prior to July 20, 2000. These Declarations are submitted in order that the Examiner might use them as necessary to support the allowance of the claims now pending in this application. (Now claims 1- 2, 6-15, 17, 25-31, and 47-72).

It is anticipated that the Examiner will use these Declarations to overcome certain of the prior art references of record, notably the primary reference of Williams et al., U.S. Patent No.

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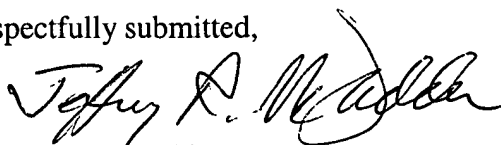
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6,618,734. It is thus anticipated that all of the pending claims will be allowed because claims 1-2, 6-15, 17, 25-31, and 47-72 clearly distinguish over all remaining references and combinations thereof. The submission of these Declarations, however, is for expedience, and should not be interpreted as an admission that the Williams reference renders any of the pending claims unpatentable, or that any combination of Freeman with Peters et al. and/or Sarchione et al., or any combination thereof with other references of record is proper or renders any of claims 1-2, 6-15, 17, 25-31, and 47-72 unpatentable. Applicant expressly reserves the right to argue and show (in future prosecution, reexaminations, reissues, and litigation) the patentability of claims 1-2, 6-15, 17, 25-31, and 47-72 over Williams and over all combinations of the references of record, without the benefit of these Declarations.

It is submitted that this Reply, and the attached Declarations, address all issues and overcome all rejections of the outstanding Office Action, and that the present application has been placed in condition for allowance. Applicant courteously requests early indication of allowance of the present case, including all pending claims 1-2, 6-15, 17, 25-31, and 47-72. If any issue remains unresolved, Applicant's counsel would appreciate the opportunity for a telephone interview to expedite allowance.

Respectfully submitted,



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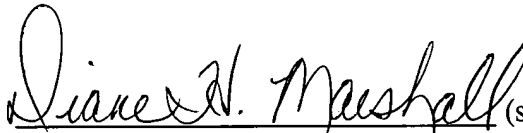
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